



# Minutes

## Bicycle & Trails Advisory Committee

REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 18, 2004

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Cheu called the meeting to order at 6:42pm

**PRESENT:** Hubbell, Scott, Cheu, and Hauge

**ABSENT:** Eltgroth, Clark, and McCann  
Parks and Recreation Commissioner Tom Madalena

**STAFF:** Public Works Senior Engineer Julie Behzad  
Public Works Administrative Secretary Karen Nelson

**DECLARATION - POSTING OF AGENDA:** Ms. Behzad certified that this meeting's agenda was duly noticed and posted in accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ms. Behzad opened the meeting to public comments. There being no comments, the public comments period was closed.

**MINUTES:** The minutes for the October 21, 2004 meetings were unanimously approved.

### **ORAL REPORTS:**

#### **1. Staff Report**

##### **\* Status of Grant Applications**

##### **TDA Bike Detector Loops**

Ms. Behzad reported that there is no new update on the grant for this month. She added that we did get the grant for the bicycle loops. David Gittleston is doing the design and putting the maps together with loops along Monterey. Member Cheu asked about identifiers for new loops. Member Hauge noted that if the loops aren't marked, no one will use them. The Vineyard markings have been sealed over, so you can't see anything. Ms. Behzad will look into this and report back next meeting.

**\* Bike Race**

BTAC's goal is to go to the City Council for sponsorship. Public Works staff is looking into specifics to get costs together to go to City Council.

**\* 2004 City Council Goals Regarding Governance**

Ms. Behzad assured members that the City Manager is attending other committee and commission meetings asking the same questions he asked at the October BTAC meeting. When Ms. Behzad gets a report back from the City Manager, she will bring a report back to share with the committee.

**2. Bikeways Master Plan Quarterly Review**

Ms. Behzad reported that the copy sent with the agenda for this meeting reflected the changes requested last month by the committee. Mr. Bjarke started this update about a year ago; each quarter the review is updated to see where we are. Bike Rodeo and other programs were added. Funding was also added to the summaries.

**3. Countywide Bicycle Advisory Committee Update**

- Member Eltgroth did not attend this month. Members expressed that it is helpful to have a representative at the meeting, but there is no requirement that we have a representative attend. Member Scott proposed that all members attend on a rotational basis. Even without familiarity, people could listen to grant opportunities. It was suggested that Member Eltgroth ask the BPAC if rotating attendance would be acceptable

**4. Chair Announcements**

- None

**BUSINESS**

**1. Morgan Hill's Bicycle Friendly Community Application**

Member Hauge reported that he gave the paperwork to Rodney Reno, again. He'll check back with him after Thanksgiving.

**2. Sprockids/LAB Programs in Morgan Hill**

Member Hubbell showed the program materials he obtained a couple years ago. The LAB program is very different from Sprockids and was recently rewritten for kids. Member Scott suggested obtaining a grant to get the program going somewhere. Member Hauge suggested he could get the program going at his daughter's school. Member Hubbell said the way the program works is to have someone be the coordinator and draw other resources in. Start with the Charter School, and then do a

“Safety Night” at Specialized to see what the interest is in the program. Charter School would be the “pilot” program which may convince the District to expand it for other kids. Concerned about liability, Member Cheu asked if the committee needs permission to present this program as coming from the BTAC. Member Scott said she would be interested in talking to someone who had done the program. Member Hubbell said one of the local teachers did run the program as a “lunch club”, so there is local experience. Member Hauge took the manual to ask the school if they could run the program. Ms. Behzad will check with the Recreation Department to see if they are interested in running this program.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- None

### **REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS**

(This is the opportunity for any committee member to have an item placed on a future agenda.)

- Ms. Behzad to report on a recent Saturday meeting with the National Center for Bicycling and Walking.
- Legend for bike loops
- Need to get going for next Bike Rodeo (Hubbell) and Bike to Work Day (McCann)
- Member status (Eltgroth) and BPAC rep - will we have a vacancy to fill?
- Discuss options for other meeting dates/times. What nights are available? Members would like to meet in the Council Chambers

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be held on January 20, 2005 at 6:15 pm.